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Dr. Archibald Tewarson Receives Society of Fire Protection Engineers 2009 Arthur B. Guise Medal

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA – October 20, 2009 – Dr. Archibald Tewarson who is a research scientist with FM Global (FM) was awarded the Society of Fire Protection Engineers’ (SFPE) Arthur B. Guise Medal. Tewarson presented the invited Guise Lecture at the SFPE Annual Technology Conference.

The Arthur B. Guise Medal recognizes eminent achievement in the advancement of the science and technology of fire protection engineering and is named in memory of the achievements of Arthur Guise, who singularly developed dry chemicals for use as fire extinguishing agents.

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“Tewarson has advanced the science of fire protection engineering through his studies on the flammability of materials and the development of measurement methods and apparatus for generating engineering data on a wide range of materials,” said SFPE Engineering Program Manager Chris Jelenewicz.

Tewarson has been a research scientist with FM for over 40 years. He has published more than 140 papers on topics ranging from the flammability and smoke generation of plastics to fire safety in mines to the fire hazards of electrical cables to examining the fire properties of materials used in ships, aircraft and automobiles. One of his more popular publications is his chapter in the SFPE Handbook of Fire Protection Engineering, “Generation of Heat and Gaseous, Liquid and Solid Products in Fires.” He has updated this chapter for each of the four editions of the handbook.

About Society of Fire Protection Engineers
Organized in 1950, the Society of Fire Protection Engineers (SFPE) is the professional organization that represents engineers engaged in fire protection worldwide. Through its membership of over 5,000 professionals and 65 international chapters, SFPE advances the science and practice of fire protection engineering while maintaining a high ethical standard. SFPE and its members serve to make the world a safer place by reducing the burden of unwanted fire through the application of science and technology.

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